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For: METHOD OF ANALYZING MULTIPLE
SAMPLES SIMULTANEOUSLY BY
DETECTING ABSORPTION AND
SYSTEMS FOR USE IN SUCH A METHOD

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Prior to the examination of the above-identified patent application, please enter the following amendments and consider the following remarks.

AMENDMENTS

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please replace the indicated claims with:

14. (Amended) The method of claim 1, wherein an optional filter is positioned between said planar array of multiple containers and said detection means, wherein said optical filter selects at least one wavelength of light from said light source.

35. (Amended) The system of claim 23, which further comprises an optical filter between said planar array of multiple containers and said detection means, wherein said optical filter selects at least one wavelength of light from said light source.

Please add the following new claims: